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Utilities Complaint Form

Investigator: Richard Martinez **Phone:** <<< REDACTED >>> **Opinion Date:** 1/21/2016
Opinion Number: 2016 - 128451 **Priority:** Respond within 5 business days
Opinion Codes: Rate Case Items - Opposed **Closed Date:** 1/21/2016 11:58 AM

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Nature Of Opinion

Docket Position: Against

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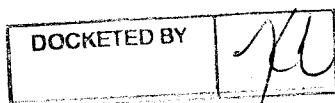
Distributed solar is the future for Arizona. It is of value for many reasons. It produces power during peak energy demand hours which benefits the overburdened utilities and assures adequate power supply for ALL users on the power grid. It reduces toxic gas from power plants, benefiting everyone. It provides thousands of well paying jobs for Arizonans and it benefits a developing industry in Arizona. The assertion that rooftop solar owners are not paying their fair share is not true. Solar producers purchase power from the utilities every night when the sun is not shining. They are ratepayers and are charged at the same rate as everyone else. They contribute to the maintenance of the power grid just as everyone else does when they pay for the power during hours that the sun is not shining. Reduced use of the grid would result in less upkeep cost to the utilities and expansion of the grid should be paid for by developers, not ratepayers. Utilities need to face the future and learn how to efficiently incorporate rooftop solar into their systems rather than trying to shut down a viable new technology that stands to benefit everyone in Arizona.

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